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**Review and appraisal of progress made in the
implementation of the twelve critical areas of concern in the
Beijing Platform for Action**

**Further actions and initiatives for overcoming obstacles to
the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action**

Addendum

1. The Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole considered paragraphs 30 *quater*, 30 *quater bis* and 41 of the proposed outcome document of the twenty-third special session (A/S-23/2/Add.2 (Part III)) at its _____ meeting, on 9 June 2000.
2. At the same meeting, the Committee approved the following amendments and recommended the paragraphs, as amended, to the special session for adoption:
 - (a) Paragraph 30 *quater* was deleted;
 - (b) Paragraph 30 *quater bis* was deleted;
 - (c) Paragraph 41 was amended to read:

"The changing context of gender relations, as well as the discussion on gender equality, has led to an increased reassessment of gender roles. This has further encouraged a discussion on the roles and responsibilities of women and men working together towards gender equality and the need for changing those stereotypical and traditional roles that limit women's full potential. There is a need for balanced participation between women and men in remunerated and unremunerated work. Failure to recognize and measure in quantitative terms the unremunerated work of women, which is often not valued in national accounts, has meant that women's full contribution to social and economic



development remains underestimated and undervalued. As long as there is insufficient sharing of tasks and responsibilities with men, the combination of remunerated work and care-giving will lead to the continued disproportionate burden for women in comparison to men."
